



**RECESSED MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL
FY15 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING
Diamondhead, Mississippi
Council Chambers, City Hall
August 27, 2014
6:00 pm CST**

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1. Call to Order –Mayor Schafer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. CST
 2. Invocation – Councilmember Sislow
 3. Pledge of Allegiance – Councilmember Rech

4. Roll Call –

Present: Mayor Schafer and Councilmembers Lopez, LaFontaine, Knobloch, Sislow and Rech.
Absent: None.

5. Confirmation or Adjustment of the Agenda Order – Councilmember LaFontaine moved, seconded by Councilmember Rech, to accept the Agenda Order.

Ayes: Lopez, LaFontaine, Knobloch, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: None.

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6. Communication/Announcement from the Mayor and Council

- a. The next regularly scheduled Council Meeting will be held at 6 p.m., Tuesday, September 2, 2014 in Council Chambers located at 5000 Diamondhead Circle.
- b. A Special Called Meeting of City Council will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 9, 2014 in Council Chambers to Adopt the Budget
- c. City Hall will be closed Monday, September 1, 2014 in observance of Labor Day.
- d. A memorial service will be held at the Katrina Memorial in Waveland on August 28, 2014.

7. Mayor Schafer welcomed those present and outlined procedures for the FY15 Budget Public Hearing.

8. Presentation FY15 Budget and Tax Levy

Mayor Schafer conducted a power presentation outlining the proposed FY15 Budget for the City of Diamondhead. The projected FY15 Budget of \$5,353,147 includes projected revenue and expenditures for all departments for the ensuing fiscal year. An overview of operating costs for each department was provided with FY14 highlights including Diamondhead Drive East drainage improvements, public works equipment purchases and code enforcement for derelict properties.

9. Public Comments – FY15 Proposed Budget

Mayor Schafer called aloud for public comments on the FY15 Proposed Budget. Hank Holcomb stepped forward. Holcomb asked for clarification that the proposed budget did include \$12,000 for support of the Hancock County Animal Shelter. He further stated that he was in disagreement with the proposed salary increases for elected officials.

10. 2014-3212: Accept the FY15 Budget

Councilmember Rech moved, seconded by Councilmember LaFontaine, to accept the FY15 Budget for the City of Diamondhead as presented. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Ayes: Lopez, LaFontaine, Knobloch, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: None.
(BUDGET IS REPRODUCED AT THE END OF THESE MINUTES AND MADE A PART THEREOF.)

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11. 2014-3213: Resolution 2014-105 - Levy Millage for FY15

Councilmember Knobloch moved, seconded by Councilmember Lopez, to resolve determining under the general authority as recited in MS Code §21-33-45 to set the tax levy at 34.00 mills to meet the needs of the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Ayes: Lopez, LaFontaine, Knobloch, Rech, Sislow and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Absent: None.
(RESOLUTION IS REPRODUCED AT THE END OF THESE MINUTES AND MADE A PART THEREOF.)

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12. Adjourn

With no further business to come before the Mayor and Council at this time, at 6:45 p.m. CST Councilmember Lopez moved, seconded by Councilmember LaFontaine, to adjourn.

Ayes: Lopez, LaFontaine, Rech, Sislow, Knobloch and Mayor Schafer. Nays: None. Abstain: None.

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Thomas E. Schafer, IV
Mayor

Kristin Ventura
City Clerk